

Calling all wine and spirit students!

DID you know there is an educational Trust Fund providing prizes for Scottish students passing the Higher Certificate course?

It is administered by the Forty-nine Wine & Spirit Club of Scotland and rewards leading students in Scotland annually.

Top students each receive a copy of Hugh Johnson's invaluable World Atlas of Wine.

In addition, those who have passed with distinction are invited to submit an essay on a specified topic.

This is then assessed by two members of the Forty-nine Wine & Spirit Club whose own knowledge and working experience have taken them to, or near, Master of Wine status.

Whoever submits the winning essay is awarded a travel scholarship which usually funds a trip to a European wine region.

The Club assists in organising the visit.

These awards are yours for the winning.

Please don't miss the opportunity!

All success to you in your studies.



A £1500 Scholarship cheque helped Alison Nicholson plan two wine trips.

The 49

WINE & SPIRIT
CLUB OF SCOTLAND



The original lunchtime legend



The Club's Millennium Lunch in the historic Trades Hall, Glasgow and the annual lunch in Perth.



A vintage club uncorked

NINETEEN-Forty-Nine was an outstanding year for producing claret; 1959 turned out to be equally good for forming the club!

That was when the 49 Wine & Spirit Club sat down to lunch for the first time in its original role as a forum for middle-rank drinks trade managers.

The basic aim was to meet informally and enjoy good food and wine. Guest speakers were invited to present wines and talk about trends.

It was a good idea and like most good ideas (not to mention wines) it has aged superbly.

But why the 49?

Initially the founding members thought it appropriate to be linked with what was then the most recent superb Bordeaux vintage. Also, it was assumed that 49 would be a realistic upper age limit for middle-management membership.

Now, like 1949 claret, that arbitrary age restriction is but a fond memory.

Currently the Club represents a broad spectrum within the Scottish drinks trade and applications for membership are welcomed.

Forms can be obtained from the office bearers and committee.

Bon appetit!

What the club does

- ☐ The Club is led by a president who is normally elected for one year.
- ☐ The year's programme consists of nine lunches and a dinner. Glasgow and Edinburgh are the main venues with one lunch in Perth.
- ☐ We maintain our own cellar of fine wines.
- ☐ Our annual dinner is regarded as a highlight of the trade's social calendar and probably the best-value event.



Educational Trust prizewinners.

- ☐ We insist on a basic collar and tie dress code.
- ☐ Mobile phones must be switched off. Offenders risk a £10 penalty which is donated to the trade's Benevolent Society.
- ☐ Guests are always most welcome and we especially encourage lady guests to the dinner.
- ☐ The Club administers an important Educational Trust Fund giving wine and spirit students in Scotland the chance to win book prizes. An annual wine travel scholarship is awarded to the outstanding student.